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TRANSMITTAL FOR REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 for the above-identified application.

A. Instructions and Averments

- Enter the Amendment under 37 CFR § 1.116, previously filed.
- This application is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

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  - the \$790.00 RCE filing fee pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.17(e); and
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- No other additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as follows:

|  |                                       |                  | SMALL ENTITY | LARGE ENTITY  |              |               |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER                                       | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA | RATE         | ADDT'L<br>FEE | RATE         | ADDT'L<br>FEE |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | MINUS                                 | =<br>0           | X            |               | X            |               |
| <b>INDEPENDENT</b>   | MINUS                                 | =<br>0           | X            |               | X            |               |
| <b>1<sup>ST</sup> PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT<br/>CLAIM</b> |                                       |                  | +_____       |               | +_____       |               |
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